The Daily Courant.

Friday, January 8. 1703.

From the Paris Gazette, dated Jan. 6.

Warſaw, December 8.

THE Diet that was ſummon'd to meet at Thorn on the 27th of November, was put off to the 1ſt of this Month, in hopes of the arrival of ſeveral Deputies; but inſtead of that, ſome Biſhops and Senators that were come already went away again. The King of Poland invited the Cardinal Primate thither; but he excus'd himſelf, without mentioning his Indiſpoſition, for that the Aſſembly ought to have been held at Warſaw, or at leaſt in ſome other City of Poland; not in Pruſſia, and in a Place where the Senators could not be free in their Debates, his Poliſh Majeſty having put a Garriſon of Saxons into Thorn. That Aſſembly has not yet gone through the Preliminaries. We have Advice that the Marqueſs de Bonnac Envoy Extraordinary of France to the King of Sweden, having been ſeiz'd by ſome of the Sieur Oginski's Troops; a Company that guarded him, with 29 Swedes Priſoners, and ſome Poles, deſerted and eſcap'd into the Ducal Pruſſia, where they ſet the Priſoners at liberty. The Marqueſs de Bonnac is gone from thence to Tycotzin on the River Narew in Polachia, where he continued on the 1ſt of this Month, waiting for Advice of the March of the King of Sweden, that he may know where to go to him. All the Advices concerning that King agree, that his Health improves daily; and that he has been once on Horſeback: He has ſent half of his Army into Great Poland, and is advancing towards this City with the reſt being 15000 Men; 'tis thought he intends to follow the King of Poland into Pruſſia: The King of Sweden demands great Contributions both of the Towns and the open Country, on pain of Military Execution, but thoſe Menaces have only been executed in ſome places belonging to Prince Lubomirski Great General of the Crown, with whom his Swediſh Majeſty is diſpleas'd. There are great Complaints of the Diſorders committed by the Saxon Troops in Great Poland and Pruſſia, where they have taken up the Quartees appointed for the Troops of the Crown. We have very bad News of the Coſſacks, they have taken and pillag'd the Towns of Pietek and Conſtantinow, in the Upper Volhinia, and tho' they loſt a great many Men in attacking Miedziboz where they were repuls'd, yet their Number increaſes daily, inſomuch that at preſent they are reckon'd to be 30000 ſtrong.

From the Leiden Gazette, dated Jan. 11.

Thorn, Dec. 28. The King of Poland continues ſtill here; but 'tis ſaid he will ſhortly go to Marienbourg. We hear that the King of Sweden is not well ſatisfy'd with the Reſolutions taken by the Diet here which broke up on the 12th, which Reſolutions are as follows; *Viz.* 1. The King of Poland ſhall be oblig'd to obſerve the Treaty ſign'd by him in the laſt Aſſembly at Sendomir. 2. That he ſhall not make any Attempt againſt the Alliances of the Republick, nor make War upon any Forreign Potentate without the Conſent of the Republick. 3. That in caſe a Peace be concluded with the King of Sweden, the Saxon Troops ſhall depart out of the Kingdom. 4. But if the King of Sweden will not come to a Treaty, his Poliſh Majeſty ſhall be empower'd to raiſe the Nobility and Militia, and the Chancellor of the Crown to treat with the Miniſters of Forreign States, for help againſt the Swedes. Mean time 'tis to be fear'd that theſe Reſolutions will not be well executed, becauſe the Cardinal and ſeveral of the Grandees had no part in them, not being preſent in the Aſſembly when they were Agreed on.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Jan. 11.

Paris, Jan. 5. Monſieur d'Artagnan Governour of Navarin in Bonn, is dead in the 104th Year of his Age, 'tis ſaid Monſieur de Blicourt the King's Envoy at Madrid will ſucceed him. The Dutcheſs of Lorrain is brought to Bed of a Daughter at Luneville; and the Dutcheſs of Luxembourg is deliver'd of a Son. There are ſome Advices from Court, that there have been two Expreſſes ſent lately to the Biſhop of Munſter, but on what ſubject is not known.

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Cologne, Jan. 5. Some of the Outworks of the Fort over againſt Bonn, have receiv'd much Damage by the overflowing of the Rhine: Which has likewiſe ſpoil'd all the Mines that the French had made there, which would have done them good Service on occaſion. The Fort which the Elector Palatine has caus'd to be built over againſt Mulheim has likewiſe ſuffer'd by the Water; but not ſo much as that of Bonn, the Paliſadoes of which were ſeen floating down the River before this City.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Jan. 13.

Weſel, Jan. 10. On Saturday night laſt the French made a Sally out of Rhinberg with 200 Men, and attack'd a Redoubt of the Line that is made to block up that Place; the Redoubt was defended by 16 Men, 3 of which were kill'd, 2 wounded, and the reſt with their Officer taken and carried into Rhinberg.

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Baſil, Dec. 28. In the Country of Vaud, a diſcovery has been made of a Crew of People, who living in a Village ſituate on the High-road between Lauſanna and Morges, made a Practice of Robbing and Murdering Paſſengers. They came to be found out by the following Accident; An old Man being fallen into their hands, begg'd hard for his Life, pleading that he had 15 Children who would have no body to take care of them when he was gone, and therefore deſir'd them to be ſatisfied with his Cloaths and 30 Crowns in Money that he had about him: The Robbers having ſome remains of Humanity in them, took his Money and his Coat and let him go: Night drawing on, he got into a Barn that ſtood in a Field a little out of the Road, and laid himſelf down in the Straw: He had not been there long, when the Rogues that robb'd him came thither likewiſe: The Old Man lying cloſe cover'd in the Straw, heard them blaming one another for their indiſcretion in letting him eſcape out of their hands, and running a risk of being diſcover'd, out of a fooliſh compaſſion for his Age and Children; they chanc'd likewiſe to talk of ſome of their former Crimes;

Crimes; and before Day-light went away. As ſoon as 'twas light the Old Man made the beſt of his way to Morges, and inform'd the Magiſtrates of what had paſs'd: who gave Orders to Apprehend them, and accordingly 60 of them were taken, the reſt making their Eſcape. Thoſe that were ſeiz'd have confeſs'd that they had follow'd theſe Villainous Courſes for many Years, That to avoid all diſcovery they had medled with none but Strangers and Forreigners, except a Student and a Maid both of Lauſanna. 40 of them have already been executed, having their Breaſts torn with red-hot Pincers, and then being broken alive on the Wheel. They ſuffer Death without the leaſt ſign of Repentance, and go to Execution without any viſible concern upon them; nay, as they are lying with their Limbs broken on the Wheel, they call out to one another and ask how long it is to Sun-ſet, for then the Executioner comes to give the laſt blow and put them out of their miſery. One of theſe Wretches being carry'd to Execution, by a Hill, fell into a loud Laughter, and gave this reaſon for it, that formerly in that very place he found a Tinker aſleep, with a little fire by him and a Ladle on it full of melted Lead, and that he pour'd the Lead down the poor Fellow's Throat as he lay with his Mouth open, which made him friſk and caper ſo oddly, that he could not forbear Laughing when ever he thought of it. They are all Expos'd on Wheels along the Lake of Lauſanna, on which the Town of Morges is ſituate. There are 20 more of them in Priſon, whoſe Tryal is deferr'd for ſome time.

London, Jan. 7. This Day was appointed for the Election of a Chamberlain of this City, but becauſe both the Sheriffs were abſent (Sir Robert Bedingfield being indiſpos'd, and Sir Samuel Garrard in the Country) The Election is put off to another time.

There were 5 Captains try'd for not doing their Duty when Admiral Bembow met Monſieur du Caſſe, viz. Captain Kirby, Captain Wade, Captain Conſtable, Captain Vincent and Captain Fogg; Kirby and Wade were Sentenc'd to be Shot to Death, but not till Her Majeſty's Pleaſure is known; Captain Conſtable to be Caſhier'd and kept Priſoner during Her Majeſty's Pleaſure; and Vincent and Fogg were Suſpended, but are to continue in Command during the Prince's Pleaſure, for being perſwaded by the other Captains to Sign a Paper, after the Admiral was wounded, not to fight till a better Opportunity.

*** *The Publick Mathematick Lecture at the* Marine Coffee-houſe *in* Birchin-Lane, *begins again this Day at Six of the Clock in the Evening.*

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